

City Manager Weekly Update

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
City Commissioners

FROM: Benjamin Siegel, City Manager

DATE: September 16, 2021

SUBJECT: **Weekly Update**

Riding Park Public Presentations: In April 2021, the City issued a Request for Proposals/Qualifications for a long-term operator of the Rancho Mission Viejo Riding Park at San Juan Capistrano. The City received three proposals: Frontier Real Estate Investments; Capistrano Experience; and, The Ridland Group. At the September 21 City Council meeting, each prospective operator will provide the City Council and community with an overview of their respective proposal. For additional information, please see the corresponding agenda report and brief summaries of the three concepts, prepared by the proposers, currently available on the City's [website](#).

Rail Service Suspended for Emergency Work: Effective today, the Orange County Transportation Authority has suspended all rail service (Metrolink and Amtrak) south of the Laguna Niguel/Mission Viejo Station with the goal of resuming service Monday, October 4. During this time, there will be no alternate bus service to or from the San Juan Capistrano, San Clemente or Oceanside stations. The suspension of service is needed to perform emergency track maintenance south of the San Clemente Pier station. For updates, please visit the Metrolink [website](#).

California Coastal Clean-up Day: The 37th Annual California Coastal Clean-up Day will take place this Saturday, September 18, at beaches, creeks, and waterways throughout the state. The City will be hosting a volunteer opportunity from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. focusing on San Juan Creek. To participate, please meet at Descanso Park (located behind the Police Services Building – 32506 Paseo Adelanto). For questions, please contact Jeremy Hohnbaum, Senior Civil Engineer, at jhohnbaum@sanjuancapistrano.org or (949) 449-1190.

Orange County Job Fair: The Orange County Board of Supervisors is hosting a free job fair on Wednesday, October 6 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. located at Irvine Valley College (5500 Irvine Center Drive). Employers participating in the job fair will be accepting resumes, interviewing prospective employees, and possibly hiring on the spot. For additional information and available online resources, please visit the County's virtual [One-Stop Resource Center](#).

National Preparedness Month: September is National Preparedness Month, and the Orange County Fire Authority encourages residents to be #PreparedNotScared in an emergency. Disasters are inevitable and the best defense is to be prepared. Residents are encouraged to identify home hazards now. Do you have the proper tools to shut off gas, water, and electricity if necessary? Are furniture and appliances bolted or braced securely? For additional preparedness information, please visit the OCFA [website](#).

American Red Cross Blood Drive Series: In partnership with the American Red Cross, the City is hosting a monthly blood drive through the end of the year. Appointments will be available on October 19, November 9 and December 14 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., at the San Juan Capistrano Community Center located at 25925 Camino Del Avion. Sign up for an appointment at the American Red Cross [website](#) using sponsor code *CityofSJC*. For questions, please contact Lindsey Stigall at (949) 443-6380.

UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS (*Tentative and Subject to Change*)

September 21, 2021

- Presentations of Riding Park Proposals (Capistrano Experience, Frontier Real Estate Investments, and The Ridland Group)
- Initiation of General Plan Amendment and Code Amendment Related to the State-Required Update of the Housing Element